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Westminster Swim Team Improves Record 3-1!

Westminster, MD – The Westminster Stingray Swim Team stung the Lochearn Monsters on Saturday July 17, 2010 – winning the meet 241-192.

In the 6 & Under age group, Emma Nerenberg swam the 25 yard freestyle in 25.08 seconds to place second for the girls and Josh Bowman and Darian Lewis placed 1st and 2nd for the boys with times of 36.3 and 38.77 respectively. Swimmers Olivia Wareham, Amaka Nwokeji and Valerie Schneider all swam their fastest races of the season, improving their freestyle times by at least 2 seconds.

Victoria Kaufman had two top 3 finishes, placing 2nd in the 8 & Under 25 yard freestyle with a time of 20.99 seconds and 3rd in backstroke with a time of 26.50. Emily Velotta, 8, placed second in the 25 yard backstroke in 25.73 seconds. In the 25 yard butterfly, Chloe Standen raced to a second place finish in 31.74 seconds – an improvement of 8.3 seconds.

Corwin Standen and David Welsh, both 10, went head to head in 3 races. Standen placed 1st in the 100 yard Individual Medley and 25 yard butterfly and 2nd in the 50 yard freestyle and 25 yard backstroke. Welsh placed 2nd in the 100 yard IM, 1st in the 50 yard freestyle and 25 yard backstroke. Bryan Deckelman shaved 14 seconds off his IM to finish 3rd. For the 9-10 year old girls, Jillian Hotaling and Michaela Naccarini swam to 2nd and 3rd place finishes in the 100 yard IM. Shannon Gibbons swam the 25 yard breaststroke in 23.59, taking 1st place. Abigail Dvorak, 9, improved her 25 yard butterfly by 4.5 seconds and took 2nd place.

Leading the charge in the 11-12 age group were Coeli Love, Natalie Wasicko, Justine Dalrymple, and Timmy Cather. Love swam to a first place finish in the IM and second place finishes in the 50 yard freestyle and butterfly. Dalrymple took home 1st in the backstroke and breaststroke and 2nd in IM. Wasicko finished strong with a 2nd place in backstroke, 3rd in freestyle and 4th in IM. Cather served up 1st place finishes in all 4 of his races - IM, freestyle, butterfly, and breaststroke – while improving his times in 3 of the 4 races.

A strong field represented the 13-14 age group. Kaitlyn Eyler placed 1st in IM, 100 yard freestyle, and 50 yard butterfly. Brooke Welsh swam to 3rd place finishes in the IM, 100 yard freestyle and 50 yard backstroke and a 1st place finish in the 50 yard breaststroke with a time of 40.40 seconds. Becca Barnett finished 3rd in the 50 yard breaststroke in 42.31 seconds. Once again, Lincoln Heath anchored the 13-14 boys with 1st place finishes in all 4 of his races in the

IM, freestyle, butterfly and breaststroke. Zac Cather turned in strong performances with a 1st place finish in backstroke, 3rd in freestyle and 4th in IM and butterfly. Tim McCown snared 3rd place finishes in IM, backstroke, butterfly and breaststroke.

Cassie Forman, 18, raced to 1st place finishes in freestyle and butterfly and 2nd in backstroke. Stephanie McCown, 17, took 1st in IM and breaststroke with a time of 37.88 and 2nd in freestyle. Finishing 3rd in the IM and freestyle was Rebekah Kilroy, 18. Trevor Rill, 17, placed 2nd in freestyle and backstroke. Justin Maize, 15 swam a 35.34 in the backstroke, taking 3rd place. Dylan Perry, 15, took 3rd in butterfly with a time of 32.03.

The meet ended with the Stingray relay teams placing 1st in 4 of the 6 relay events. The 15-18 Mixed Free Relay team of Cassie Forman, Stephanie McCown, Justin Maize and Dylan Perry qualified for the Strachle Invitational with a time of 1:54.51.

This week the Stingray swimmers will be busy competing at the Carroll County Invitational on Wednesday July 21 and at Severn River on Saturday July 24.



Corwin Standen



Nicole Velotta



Riley Bates



Hannah Wareham



Katie Wasicko



Justin Maize

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